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TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.
THE REBELLION.	THE REBELLION.	SHIPPING COMBINE.	THE DURBAR.	SINGAPORE POLICE.	CHARING CROSS BANK.	RAILWAY COLLISION.
PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.	NEWS FROM SHANGHAI.	FIVE GREAT LINES.	EUROPEANS INDIGNANT.	A THREATENED STRIKE.	CARPENTER SENTENCED.	MANY KILLED.
[Service to the "Telegraph."] Shanghai, Dec. 19. At the Peace Conference being held in the Town Hall there are seven Republican representatives and five Imperialists. Dr. Wu Ting-fang and H.E. Tang Shao-yi were the spokesmen at yesterday's meeting, which lasted for four hours and a half. Tang Shao-yi has telegraphed to Yuan Shih-kai that the revolutionaries demand the stoppage of fighting everywhere, otherwise they will not negotiate. Wu Ting-fang had agreed to order the revolutionaries to a similar effect. Yuan Shih-kai has telegraphed to his generals, and the conference has been suspended pending a cessation of hostilities. The revolutionaries demand that the Manchus must go and a Republican Government be established. They will pension the Court and deal generously with other Manchus.	Shanghai, Dec. 18. Regarding the negotiations for peace, the revolutionaries have elected Dr. Wu Ting-fang as their chief representative. Messrs. Wan Chun-yue, Wong Ching-wai, Wong Chung-wai and Nan Wing-kin are to act as secretaries to Dr. Wu. "Sheung Po." The officers and men in Nanking are in harmony. Li Yuan-heng has despatched Wu Ying, Commissioner of Diplomatic Affairs, to attend the peace conference in Shanghai. "Shat Po." CANTON NEWS. [The "Telegraph" Correspondent.] Canton, Dec. 16. On Friday a serious fire broke out at Tashatui, the water police station, a steam launch and a junk being entirely destroyed. The fire originated in a matchbox and spread with such rapidity that over 100 matchboxes were totally destroyed, and it was only after three hours' strenuous work that the fire was under control. The number of persons killed in the conflagration has not yet been ascertained. Searching for a man who was alleged to be an Imperialist spy, the revolutionary troops discovered several cases of arms and Dragon flags, in the basement of the house in which he was staying. The spy escaped. Some soldiers on a gunboat which collided with a junk in the West River, looked on the occurrence as a bad omen and fired on the sailing vessel and killed three persons. Wong Si-lung, Adjutant Governor-General of Canton, has resigned his post, and published a farewell address to the people of Canton. He spoke of his unwillingness to take office, but he had done his best. Referring to the state of Canton he said it was bad, and that it was impossible for a man of his limited ability to restore the City to its former tranquillity. Canton, Dec. 18. A telegram has been sent to the authorities of the Tung Wah Hospital at Hongkong asking them to advise Wong Si-lung to withdraw his resignation of the post of Adjutant Governor-General. The telegram was sent by the authorities of the Chamber of Commerce and the Nine Charitable Institutions, and spoke in the highest terms of Mr. Wong. A fracas has occurred between a regiment of the peace preserving troops and the revolutionary soldiers. The former were stationed in barracks in Torpo Street, and their commander was said to be secretly recruiting without the permission of the Canton Government. At 9 o'clock yesterday morning the barracks were surrounded by revolutionary soldiers and two members of the peace preserving corps were arrested. Their comrades opened fire on the captors and a severe encounter ensued, which lasted until 8 o'clock to-day. The revolutionaries were eventually successful and took prisoner about sixty of the peace preserving corps. The casualties on both sides were numerous and buildings near the barracks suffered during the fighting.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Bombay, Dec. 19, 7.50 a.m. A great shipping amalgamation is announced to-day. The chief feature of the amalgamation is its enormous power and combination which is emphasised everywhere. The combine comprises five great lines and 304 vessels.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Via Durban, Dec. 18, 11 a.m. The Delhi correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" states that the Europeans in Calcutta are indignant at the transfer of the capital, and the decision of the partition of Bengal. A movement is on foot to appeal for the instant recall of the Governor-General.—(Reuter.)	[Our Own Correspondent.] Singapore, Dec. 18. The whole of the European Police below the Superintendents have been suspended from work. They demand an opportunity to put their grievances in regard to pay and promotion before the Executive, and failing this they will probably strike.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Bombay, Dec. 19, 7.50 a.m. Mr. Carpenter, the manager of the Charing Cross Bank, which suspended payment in April, has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the Second Division.—Reuter. RUSSIA AND AMERICA. CRISIS APPROACHING. [Service to the "Telegraph."] Via Durban, Dec. 18, 6.40 a.m. According to some of the American newspapers, something like a Russo-American crisis appears to have arisen over the resolution of the 12th inst. To a phrase in which Russia is accused of violating the Treaty. Russia particularly objects, and if the Senate passes, without modification, the resolution to-day, M. Bakmatieff, the Russian Ambassador, will apply for passports. TAFT'S MOVE. Durban, Dec. 18, 11.55 p.m. A telegram from Washington says it is understood that Mr. Taft, using his executive powers, has notified Russia that the commercial treaty of 1832 has been abrogated because it has been found obsolete in many ways. He has thus excluded the House from participation in the matter, and his action requires only ratification by the Senate.—Reuter. TEST CRICKET. ENGLAND BEHIND. [Service to the "Telegraph."] Via Durban, Dec. 18, 12.20 p.m. In glorious weather and on a perfect wicket, the test match was continued, before a crowd of 13,000. The M.C.C. made 318, of which Hobbs scored 63 and Foster 56. The latter played free cricket, and hit nine 4's. Hearn knocked up 70, and played a masterly game. He hit eight 4's. Horder captured five wickets for 55 runs. Australia are 115 for one wicket.—(Reuter.)	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Dec. 18, 11.35 p.m. Reuter's correspondent at St. Paul's, Minnesota, says that the second section of the transcontinental express collided with the first. Nine people were killed and many seriously injured.—Reuter. OBITUARY. ALBERTO RANDREGGER. [Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Dec. 18, 11.35 p.m. The death is announced of Mr. Alberto Randregger, the famous conductor.—Reuter. [Mr. Randregger was an Austrian by birth and had been a director of music in various continental cities before he came to London in 1854, at the age of 22. Since 1861 he had been conductor at North Festivals; Royal Opera, Covent Garden; Queen's Hall Choral Society, etc.] SPY MANIA. STRANGE GERMAN STORY. [Service to the "Telegraph."] Via Durban, Dec. 28, 11 a.m. As an instance of the spy mania in Germany, a story is going the round of the papers that the German High Sea fleet have remained for weeks at sea because it was discovered that the British Naval Intelligence Department were possessed of plans of the locks, etc. of Wilhelmshaven, enabling it, if it wanted, to block up the harbour and bottle up the German fleet if it stayed there.—(Reuter.) TRANS-PERSIAN RAILWAY. FINAL SURVEYS. [Service to the "Telegraph."] Via Bombay, Dec. 18, 2.5 p.m. The "Rusakov Slovo" states that final surveys of the trans-Persian railway will immediately follow the conclusion of the Russo-Persian settlement. There will be no direct German participation.—(Reuter.)

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Japan and America.

The recently reported decision
of the United States Government
to dispatch a squadron of five
warships to Chinese waters, via
Honolulu, and to send the
15th Infantry Regiment from the
Philippines to North China for
the purpose of maintaining com-
munication between Peking and
the sea is commented upon in the
Japanese Press, with no little
sarcasm. It strikes the Japan-
ese publicists as very curious
that the United States, the
first Power to withdraw its
troops after the Boxer rising,
should now be the first to send
them back. What makes the de-
cision all the more striking, they
say, is the fact that the United
States Government is constantly
professing great friendship for
China; it has been constantly in-
sisting on a non-intervention po-
licy, and yet hastens to throw a
whole regiment of troops into
the country for the purpose of
maintaining communication be-
tween Peking and the sea, which
the Japanese papers say could
easily be done by the foreign
troops already stationed in North
China.

South China Morning Post.

Ancient Delhi.

It was formerly the capital of
the Afghan or Pathan empire, and
afterwards of Mogul, but in 1803
it was taken by Lord Lake, since
when it has been continuously
under British rule except for the
period in 1857 when it was held
by the mutineers. The march of
the fanatic forces from Meerut,
the horrors of the never-to-be-
forgotten 11th of May, and the
heroic achievements of Wimp-
sley, Nicholson and Hodson
were events destined to thrill the
succeeding generations through
all time, and the story of how the
city was won on the memorable
20th of September, gate by gate
and quarter by quarter, is cal-
culated to stir the blood of every
patriot. It was in 1887 that
Delhi was the scene of the historic
Durbar at which Queen Victoria
was proclaimed Empress of India,
and the Durbar subsequent to that
have all been most brilliant gather-
ings. The one just past, crowned
as it was by the presence of the
Sovereign and his Royal consort
themselves, quite surpassed its
predecessors, and it is to be re-
garded as the inauguration of a new
era in the life of India and a new
chapter of untarnished distinction
for Delhi, the metropolis of a
region which now ranks as the
most populous area in the world.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

C.C.C. v. R.G.A.

Some very excellent games were witnessed on Saturday afternoon in the League cricket matches and some good scoring was the result of a hard wicket. The Craigen-gower team, playing at home, put up an excellent fight against the R.G.A., securing an excellent fought out draw. For the R.G.A. Lt. Hitchcock put up a useful 45 runs, his effort being ably seconded by Capt. Crawford 23, and Lt. Paris 27. Against the soldiers' 133 for 7 wickets Craigen-gower managed 92 for 6, R.A. Carvalho being the chief contributor with 32. For the home team Hancock put up the best bowling performance, taking two wickets for 17 runs, while for the R.G.A., Jones did even better, taking three wickets with an average of 5 runs a piece. The scores were as follow:—

R.G.A.	
Lt. Hitchcock, c. Vivesash, b. Hancock.....	45
Gr. Wetherall, c. E. Braga, b. J. Braga.....	4
Capt. Clapham, c. Postonji, b. J. Braga.....	4
Capt. Crawford, c. Carvalho, b. J. Braga.....	23
Lt. Paris, c. Noria, b. Taylor.....	27
Lt. Bagnall, c. E. Braga, b. Hancock.....	0
Lt. Collins, b. Taylor.....	5
Gr. Driver not out.....	18
Gr. Jones not out.....	6
Gr. Josephs did not bat.....	
Extras.....	1
Total for 7 Wks.....	133

C.C.C.	
G. A. Hancock, b. Paris.....	10
W. H. Vivesash, c. Jones, b. Bagnall.....	12
R. A. Carvalho, c. Paris, b. Jones.....	32
J. V. Braga, c. Jones.....	13
H. H. Taylor, c. Paris, b. Hitchcock.....	6
L. A. Rose, b. Jones.....	4
E. L. Braga not out.....	1
R. Bagnall.....	
R. Postonji did not bat.....	
J. D. Noria.....	
C. Johnstone.....	
Extras.....	11
Total for 6 Wks.....	92

Kowloon v. R.E.
Kowloon were at home to the R.E. team and won by eight runs and five wickets, thanks to the bowling of Wensor and the Rev. Foster Pegg, who between them took 5 wickets for 10 runs. For the winners Waterhouse, Lt. W. A. Hagger, and R. E. Macaskill, put up good displays, scoring 20, 21 and 34 respectively. Corpl. Tavenor for the losers gave a good all round exhibition, hitting up a useful 32 and taking three wickets for 20.

Kowloon.	
W. Waterhouse, c. Addison.....	20
Lt. W. A. Hagger, c. Addison.....	21
Major Taylor, b. Tavenor.....	5
R. P. Thurstfield not out.....	10
K. R. Macaskill, c. Brown.....	34
W. L. Wensor.....	
Lt. A. G. White.....	
F. Sutton.....	
Rev. Foster Pegg.....	
C. Brown.....	
Extras.....	7
Total for 5 wickets.....	121

R.E.	
Major Radcliffe, b. White.....	19
Corpl. Tavenor c. Foster Pegg.....	32
Corpl. Pearson, c. Wensor, b. White.....	12
Capt. Addison, c. Thurstfield, b. White.....	10
Corpl. Campion, c. White, b. Wensor.....	7
Spr. Collins, b. Foster Pegg.....	3
Corpl. Godfrey, b. Wensor.....	4
Spr. Fox, c. Sutton, b. Wensor.....	4
Spr. Faro, b. Wensor.....	2
Corpl. Morgan, b. Foster Pegg.....	4
Spr. Brown, not out.....	0
Extras.....	11
Total.....	113

"Hills" v. "Plains."
A most enjoyable game was played on Saturday between two teams drawn from the members of the Hongkong Cricket Club, entitled Hills and Plains respectively. The pitch was admirably suited to the batsmen and some

good scores resulted. The "Plains" batted first, and thanks to the good work of Dashwood and Col. Hamilton scored 180 for five wickets. Dashwood contributing sixty-one in fine style, being eventually stumped by Hancock. Warburton was doing well with 25 when the innings was declared closed. Bowen for the "Hills" took three wickets for 30. Consistent scoring was responsible for the Hills' win, four batsmen "coming off" well and notching 154 runs out of a total of 100. Foster and R. Hancock shared the honours with 42 and 41 respectively, but H. Hancock failed to score at all, falling a victim to a good length ball from Fowler. The last named took two wickets for 34 and Penno 1 for 8.

Plains.	
T. E. Pearce, c. R. Hancock, b. Webb.....	18
A. P. Dashwood st. Hancock, b. Bowen.....	60
J. Bernard, c. Maus, b. Bowen.....	22
Col. Hamilton, b. Foster.....	51
E. A. Fowler, c. H. Hancock, b. Bowen.....	9
E. Warburton, not out.....	25
Lt. Staveley.....	
A. P. Roquette did not bat.....	
D. B. Donnelly.....	
F. R. Wood.....	
Extras.....	4
Total.....	189

Hills.	
Capt. Bowen, b. Donnelly.....	15
Foster, b. Donnelly.....	42
M. M. Maus, b. Fowler.....	36
H. Hancock, b. Fowler.....	0
H. Hancock, c. Staveley, b. Pearce.....	41
H. M. Webb, c. Fowler, b. Hamilton.....	35
A. O. Braun, not out.....	4
Col. Staveley, c. Washwood, b. Hamilton.....	8
Rutter, not out.....	9
Total.....	190

REVOLUTIONARIES' DARING ACTION.

Hol dup German Transport.

Word reached Shanghai yesterday, says the "China Press" of Dec. 10, that the German transport "Titania," which was proceeding up to Hankow with a detachment of marines and some artillery to reinforce the guard in the Concessions, was stopped at Kiukiang by the revolutionists, who demanded to search the ship. The commander of the transport refused, but said that he had no objection to taking two of the revolutionary officers along with him to Hankow to see that the guns and ammunition were discharged in accordance with neutrality.

The revolutionary General in command at Kiukiang wired Shanghai for instructions, and the reply from here was, "Let the transport proceed." The "Titania" discharged at Hankow and started for Tsingtau. She was fired on as she was steaming down the Yangtze, it was said yesterday, and again boarded by revolutionists from Kiukiang. The transport arrived at Chinkiang yesterday, it was stated at the German Consulate in this city, and will proceed to Tsingtau. It was reported about Shanghai yesterday that German warships from here had sailed for Kiukiang in consequence of the holdup of the transport, but this was denied at the Consulate.

The following is from the "China Press" of Dec. 10:—The revolutionary treasury here was replenished to the extent of \$3,000,000 when the Chinese gunboat Kianyun arrived from Nanking on Friday afternoon. She is reported to have brought down this amount of silver money which the revolutionists discovered at Pukou after the evacuation of General Changhsun. It was rather too much for the General to take along in his hasty flight and he stowed it away in a safe place where the revolutionists found it after careful search. General Chang undertook to carry \$30,000 in silver with him, but thirty boxes of this treasure which were left on the railway station platform also fell into the hands of the revolutionists.



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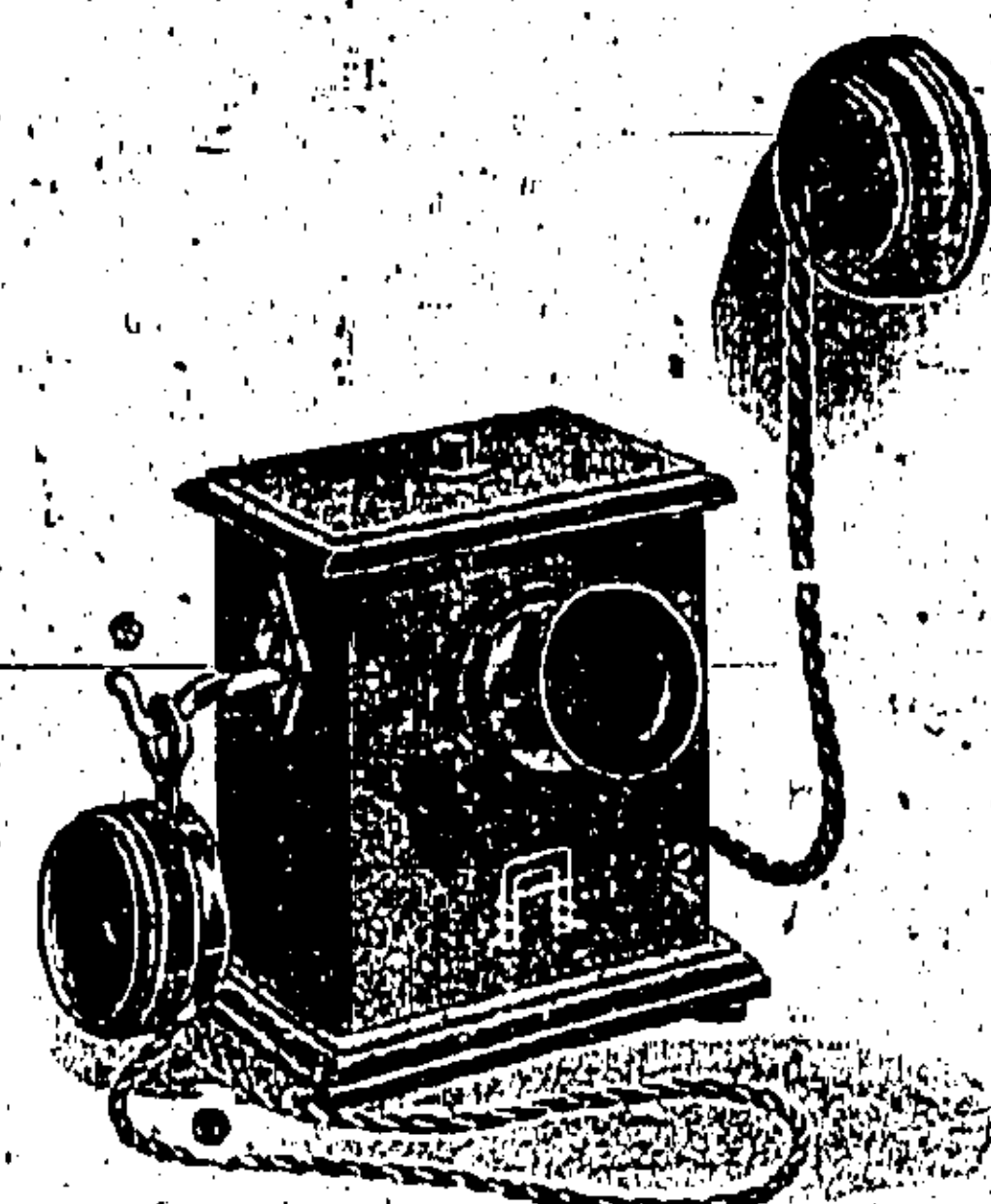
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MARRIAGE.

HARRIS-WILKINSON.—On the 10th December, at St. John's Church, Pottery Bar, Hertfordshire, MONTGOMERY READER HARRIS, second son of the late READER HARRIS, K.O., to Frances Mable Wilmet, daughter of W. H. WILKINSON, H.B.M. Consul-General, Cheng-tu. [1550]

DEATH.

OZOMO.—On December 9, 1911, at 17 Quinsan Road, Shanghai, Anna Maria Lopes Ozomo, aged 88 years.

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JURY SERVICE.

The protest of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company yesterday in connection with the summoning of four members of the Company's staff to serve upon the jury in one day has much justification. However large a staff may be the withdrawal of several of its members simultaneously must necessarily mean a dislocation of work. As a general rule, by the singular perversion of things, it happens that an extraordinary call of this kind comes when it is most inconvenient. Jury service is, of course, one of the duties of citizenship and however irksome its fulfilment may be on occasion it should be remembered that under British rule the individual makes very little return for the services rendered to him by the state. In most other countries a man has to give a considerable period to the task of fitting himself for the defence of his fatherland, and those who are privileged to live under British rule may consider themselves lucky in having only, at infrequent intervals, to attend courts of law to assist the cause of justice. This does not, however, lessen the grievance that the Dock Company voiced yesterday. It should surely be possible, without creating any suspicion of "packing," to render it impossible for more than one individual to be summoned from any particular firm. The Chief Justice suggests that nothing can be done without an amendment of the law. If that be really so the sooner the law is altered the better.

To speak with anything approximating to disrespect of the jury system is to invite condemnation. That system, as perforce orators are wont to remind us, is the "palladium of our liberties," and it is with the uneasy consciousness that we may be deemed guilty of something very like sacrilege that we say that we doubt whether it is anything of the kind. It was undoubtedly the palladium of our forefather's liberties. In the old days, when the monarch's word was the judge's law, when such a great man as Bacon said "justice" to the highest bidder, it might well have been thought that it was by trial by his peers alone that an innocent man could be assured that his cause would be considered on its merits. But those days have passed. The Throne exercises no more influence over the Bench than it does over the pulpit. As far as fairness is considered an innocent man has nothing to fear from trial before a British judge. There remains, however, the fact that the judgment of no one man is infallible and that therefore, when a defendant's life or liberty are at stake it is well that a decision should be subscribed to by more than one. Granting that that is so, is there no better method than selecting a number of men by the means employed to decide the winner of a lottery, to listen to evidence when their thoughts, in spite of themselves, are half the time wandering to their personal duties that, perforce, they are neglecting? To increase the number of judges so that three or more might sit in criminal cases would perhaps be impracticable, but why should there not be professional jurymen and smaller juries? The judges and counsel are learned in the law and it seems obvious that if jurymen of professional status—officers of the court—were regularly employed it would mean juster justice, if the expression be pardoned, and a vast saving of time and prevention of hardship. The suggestion may seem to be premature, but we believe that the professional jurymen will eventually arrive.

DAY BY DAY.

Stupidity is more criminal than vice: if only because vice is curable, stupidity incurable.

H.M.S. Astrea is due in Hongkong on Thursday, Dec. 21.

The distribution of prizes at St. Mary's School, Kowloon, will take place on Friday, 22nd inst., at 5 p.m. Bishop Pozzoni will preside.

The master of a fishing boat was charged at the Marine Court with failing to stop when called upon on Dec. 18 and was fined \$5.

In regard to the paragraph published yesterday in connection with the attempt of a man charged with uttering counterfeit coin to escape, we learn that the man was captured and is now on remand.

The Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd., informs us that the total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending Dec. 2 amounted to 32,522.05 tons and the sales during the period to 21,480.93 tons.

The important sale of engineers' and boilermakers' material tools, engineering materials, etc., which was to have been conducted by Mr. G. P. Lammert at No. 13 Praya East, Wanchai, on Dec. 21 and 22, has been postponed until Dec. 28 and 29.

A Chinese was charged at the Magistracy this morning with being in unlawful possession of a sword. His defence was that he was an officer in the Revolutionary Army and was private secretary to General Lung. He was fined \$50.

The marriage was to take place at home to-day of Miss Frances Mabel Wilmet Wilkinson and Mr. Montgomery Reader Harris. Miss Wilkinson is a daughter of Mr. W. M. Wilkinson, H.B.M. Consul-General, Chengtu, and a niece of Mr. C. D. Wilkinson.

At the Marine Court this morning the master of a licensed coolie boat was charged with failing to exhibit the regulation lights and with not producing his coolie boat licence when called upon. On the first charge he was fined \$10 and the second was dismissed.

A fireman on board the s.s. Xuen Sang was found on Dec. 11, by the second engineer, to have gone on deck instead of doing his work. He was sent for, but refused to go down for duty and for disobeying a lawful command he was sent to prison for one month at the Marine Court to-day.

The Oriental Brewery, Limited have sent us half a dozen bottles of their new O.B. brew and have asked for an expression of opinion. The new brew is manufactured from Bohemian hops and German malt, and the O.B. and their brewer are to be congratulated on the result. The new beer recalls the best German brews, and yet has a flavour of its own that is distinctive and pleasing. It is well worth a trial by all who appreciate a good brew.

H.M. Minister at Mexico City reports that a concession has been granted to Mr. Naotio Kobayashi, a Japanese subject, for the exploitation of the fisheries in the territorial waters between the mouth of the Ameca River, Territory of Tepic, and the Bay of Chihpahu, State of Oaxaca, on the Pacific Coast. A factory for curing and packing the products of the fisheries is to be established within two years, and retail shops opened in various towns.

Legislative Council.
At the meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday the report of the Public Works Committee will be considered, the Bill to amend the University Ordinance, will be considered in committee, and a Bill to provide for the issue by the Mortgage Bank of India, Ltd., of bills and notes payable to bearer on demand will be read a first time. The second reading of two amending bills will also be taken.

A Gemas estate is reported to have lost twenty-three coolies in a month owing to the depredations of several panthers.

It is announced that Mr. D. Fraser, an ex-correspondent of the Times, more recently Editor of the P. and T. T. and manager of the Tientsin Press, Ltd., has resigned and leaves Tientsin very shortly.

A heavy snow-storm was experienced on the 6th inst., in the North-East provinces of Japan. The midnight express from Uyenō, Tokyo, for Aomori, encountered the storm in the neighbourhood of Aomori, and was about an hour late in arriving at Aomori.

The House of Representatives has passed the Sherwood pension bill, providing that the pension of veterans of the Civil and Mexican Wars, who can satisfy the authorities that they have served one year in either of those great conflicts, shall receive one dollar a day, for the rest of their lives.

Mgr. Ambrose A. Agius, apostolic delegate to the Philippine Islands, died at St. Paul's hospital at 4 o'clock on the Dec. 13, after an illness of two days. Death was directly due to peritonitis, which grew out of a slight attack of indigestion. Mgr. Agius attended a banquet of the Jesuit fathers the previous Sunday night, and on the Monday morning was in a slightly feverish state. He carried off his regular duties of the day, however, retiring to his bed in the afternoon.

A piece of exceptionally fast travelling having a connection with the revolution, has just been learned. When the trouble assumed serious dimensions one of the flag officers of the British fleet, who was home on short furlough, was telegraphed for, and he accomplished the journey to Weihaiwei in a remarkably short space of time. From the moment of his departure from Charing Cross Station until the time he boarded his vessel at Weihaiwei, he took twelve days, six hours and a few odd minutes. He of course travelled via Siberia, and a torpedo-boat conveyed him from Tairen, enabling him to perform the feat.

The "Lancet" calls attention to the licking of stamps as a "retrograde proceeding, and says that any suggestion calculated materially to encourage or increase the habit is open to strong condemnation. "The habit is opposed to a common sense of cleanliness, let alone what bacteriological requirements may teach. . . . The adhesive stamp is a sanitary blunder, but it is a business convenience for which it is hard to suggest an alternative. No persons need lick a stamp if they seriously make up their minds never to do so, but unfortunately the use of stamps has created a habit which, once contracted, is difficult to avoid." But, of course, there is always the sponge.

A Notable Anniversary.
As centenaries are so popular nowadays, says the "Straits Times," it may be worth recalling that the present year is a notable anniversary in Anglo-Asiatic history. It was in the year 1811 that the British occupation of Java began, and Sir Stamford Raffles had first opportunity of showing how able an administrator he was. "While we are here," said Lord Minto, the then Governor-General of India, to Raffles, "let us do all good we can"; and Raffles proceeded to do it. Unfortunately the British retired from Java after five years' occupation. A native chief who heard the news of our approaching retirement expressed his sorrow by saying that the island was like a beautiful woman bereft of her lover; and his regret was generally felt throughout the island.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

The branch line of the Kowloon-Canton Railway between Fanling and Shekshungau will be opened for traffic on Thursday next. The section between Shekshungau and Shataukok will not be opened for traffic until the beginning of January. The trains on the branch line will run in connection with main line trains stopping at Fungling.

A FATAL QUARREL.

Charge of Manslaughter.

Yong Hoi-sun was indicted before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Piggott, at the Criminal Sessions this morning on a charge of alleged murder.

The Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, asked for leave to amend the charge to one of manslaughter. The application was granted, and prisoner pleaded guilty to the charge.

The Attorney-General said that prisoner and deceased both had the same surname and were probably relatives. At all events they had known each other for a number of years. On November 18, the two went out together—prisoner with a fish-trap in order to catch fish, and the deceased and others to catch paddy. Apparently the prisoner took some paddy to stuff his fish-trap and deceased got annoyed and drove some holes in the fish-trap with a pole, whereupon prisoner struck deceased with his pole.

Mr. Potter, instructed by Mr. Crowther Smith, appeared for the accused and said that the facts were as stated by the Attorney-General. Prisoner and the deceased had been friends for years and there was no suggestion of spite or grudge. As his Lordship had heard, deceased's death was the result of an unfortunate quarrel. Prisoner took some paddy in order to prop up his fish-trap, so that the fish could not escape. Deceased got annoyed and drove his pole into the fish-trap and, having made the holes in the trap, struck the prisoner with his bamboo pole. Naturally, fishing being prisoner's only means of subsistence, he was indignant and struck back at deceased with his pole. It would be shown, if necessary, that deceased was the man who struck the first blow. Prisoner had never attempted to deny his fault. When charged in the charge-room, he admitted his guilt and again at the Police Station he admitted having struck deceased. He (Counsel) asked his Lordship to deal with prisoner as leniently as possible.

His Lordship said that he thought the ends of justice would be met by six months' simple imprisonment.

THE LAI CHI-CHIN CASE.

Formal Motion Moved.

Before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Piggott, sitting in Appellate Jurisdiction at the Supreme Court this morning, the action was mentioned of Lai Chi-chin versus Tang Wong-shi.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., said that this was purely a formal motion. He was appearing on behalf of Mr. Slade, who was Counsel originally retained in the case and who would argue when the case was called on. The motion was made owing to the fact that it was Return Day to-day.

Mr. Potter (for the respondent) said it was only a matter of fixing a day.

The hearing was fixed for January 15 and 16.

BOWLS.

The final for the "Telegraph" Cup was played off on Saturday last at the Kowloon Bowling Green, between L. Guy-2, and A. Ramsay-8. Guy won after a tight struggle by 4 points the score being Ramsay 27, Guy 23. Ramsay wanted two more points to win, and as it was Guy won on his handicap.

The closing day of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club's season will be held on Saturday when two finals will be played off. The final for the Championship Cup will be played off by D. Keith and A. Ramsay. This is the second time Ramsay has been in the final for the Championship Cup. The final for the President's Cup will be played off between G. L. Edwards and S. Gray.

The closing day of the Civil Service Bowling Club will be Saturday, Dec. 30.

YACHTING.

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club Races.

The 4th Club Race, for each Class, was sailed on Saturday, 16th inst. The day was fine with a pleasant northerly wind. Handicap Class.—The course was from the Club starting line, Channel Rocks (port), Kowloon Rock (port), Mark Boat on starting line (port), Channel Rocks (port), Kowloon Rock (port).

There were five competitors, being:—
Dione.
Iris.
Colleen.
Dorothea.
Kathleen.

A good start was made at 2.30 p.m. As usual Dione and Iris soon took the leading position and fought hard for supremacy. The times round the Mark Boat on the starting line, on the first round were:—

	Actual	Corrected	Marks	Marks to date
Dione	4.16.35	4.16.35	4	12
Iris	4.17.11	4.17.11	3	18
Colleen	3	17	20	
Dorothea	3	19	46	
Kathleen	3	20	8	

On the run back to Channel Rocks, Iris, picked up on Dione and passed her and Dorothea passed Colleen. Kathleen also made up some lost ground, but on the beat to the Kowloon Rock she again fell back. Dione once more passed Iris and maintained her advantage. The finishing times were:—

	Actual	Corrected	Marks	Marks to date
Dione	4.16.35	4.16.35	4	12
Iris	4.17.11	4.17.11	3	18
Dorothea	4.20.42	4.14	4.1-2	6
Colleen	4.23.55	4.17.57	1-2	2
Kathleen	4.24.5	4.19.17	1-2	1
Rolla	did not start.			8

One Design Class.
There were the usual five competitors in this class, viz:—
Ailsa.
Bonito II.
Daphne.
Alannah II.
Halcyon.

The course was from the Club starting line, Mark Boat Quarry Bay (port), Channel Rocks (port), Cust Rocks (port), Channel Rock (star). The Ailsa again showed fine form and ere Cust Rocks Buoy was reached had established a long lead, with Bonito second, Daphne and Alannah II. had a foul which resulted in a protest by the latter. The finishing times were:—

	Actual	Corrected	Marks	Marks to date
Ailsa	4.42.42	4.42	6	18
Bonito II	4.51.0	4.51	0	4
Daphne	4.59.0	4.59	0	
Alannah II	4.59.52	4.59	52	
Halcyon	5.54	5.54		

Marks must await result of the protest.

Dinghy Class.
Course from starting line Cust Rock Buoy (star), No 1 Dock Buoy (star), Mark Boat on line (port), twice round, start and finish beat to East.

Although four boats faced the starter, viz:—Joan, No 5, Mephistopheles and Haiyah, owing to the Mark Boat having drifted some distance westward of the starting line, Joan, Mephistopheles and Haiyah made a mistake. Apparently thinking that the Mark Boat was on the line they sailed accordingly and never crossed the line and therefore did not start. No. 5 was the only boat that started and sailing round the course she scored 2 marks.

The marks to date were as follows:—

	Marks
Joan	13
No. 5	8
Sprite	9
Mephistopheles	4
Haiyah	2

A telegram from Camp Koithley, dated Dec. 14, states that forty-two hostile Moros had been killed by the Philippines Scouts in an engagement near Lake Lanao a few days previously.

A workman on one of the sugar estates at Madjokerto, Java, recently unearthed a number of old coins. Most of them appeared to be old gold pieces of Hindu workmanship; but there was one silver ducat among them, bearing the medallion of Philip the Tenth. In the same place there were also found a few old copper water vessels, also of Hindu origin.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Colony's Badge.

Among the matters which come before the Legislative Council on Thursday is an important resolution in the following terms:—"Resolved that the existing badge of the Colony is not only inartistic but it is unsuitable for reproduction especially on flags, etc., and resolved therefore that the design laid on the table, being both simpler and more artistic, be substituted therefor." How many of us would know the present badge of the Colony, were they to see it? It has certainly taken time to discover its shortcomings, and it is to be hoped that the new badge merits the certificate of character that the resolution gives it.

The Suffrage Hoolligan.

The male suffragist who threw a brassbound despatch box at Mr. Lloyd George on Saturday has not helped the cause forward, we may be sure. Sir Edward Grey explained to Saturday's meeting that the Cabinet was divided on the matter and that the differences made the provision of votes for women impossible in the coming Suffrage Bill. Mr. Lloyd George followed on by saying that he was confident that the House of Commons would accept the proposed amendment unless their sympathies were alienated by acts of violence. That seems very fair and reasonable. It is so much more than the suffragists looked like getting a couple of years ago that they should be proud of their success. Instead of which, one male supporter nearly ruins the Chancellor's eyesight and does seriously injure one eye. Argument by means of brickbats, of despatch boxes used as weapons of offence, is never permanently convincing, except the contrary why; and this gentleman has done harm to the cause. Most of the males whom the suffragists drag around with them are hysterical creatures. If this one is as smartly punished as he deserves to be some of them may be brought quickly to their senses.

Unwilling Jurymen.

The leading article to-day, is upon the topic of jury service and it might seem to involve a risk of overdoing it to make a further reference to the subject in this column. We only desire, however, in this place, to tell a little story. In a certain Colony there was not that excellent and sage law that obtains here that newspapermen should be exempt from jury service. A reporter happened to call at the Coroner's Court one morning at 11.30 and was promptly served with a summons to serve immediately on a jury. He had intended to take part in an important cycling event at noon and had just left himself time to look in at the Coroner's Court to "arrange" his engagement. The Coroner took no interest in cycling, but he was very keen on racing and the first race of the Summer Meeting took place that day at 1 o'clock. The request was one that promised to be short and to enable him to get away and preserve his record of never missing a day's racing. A body had been found in the harbor, there were no marks, no suspicion of foul play, and an open verdict of "found drowned" would obviously meet the case. The evidence was rattled through and the jury retired to their room to consider their verdict. The Coroner expected every minute that they would return, but time passed and at last he sent for them. "Is there any point I can clear up for you, gentlemen?" he said persuasively, "the case seems to me quite a simple one." "We are all agreed except this gentleman," said the foreman, savagely indicating the pressman, "he wants to bring a verdict of death from gun-shot wounds." The Coroner glared at the pressman, and the latter, who had missed his chance of winning a race he had counted on already won, glared defiantly back. To cut the story short, he kept the unfortunate Coroner and jury until late in the afternoon and then only consented to acquiesce in the verdict of "found drowned." Because he saw that he was likely to play the leading, but silent, role in another inquest in which a verdict of death from gun-shot wounds would meet the case.

TELEGRAMS.

THE REBELLION.

TUAN FANG KILLED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Dec. 19.

H. E. Tuan Fang has been killed by soldiers at Tseohow.

He tried to escape after a banquet, but was detected and backed to pieces by the disloyalists.

NEWS FROM JAPAN.

Tokyo, Dec. 19.

The Japanese Press denies the rumours that England and Japan will intervene in the peace negotiations. Japan is anxious to facilitate the conclusion of peace.

Independent News Agency.

SANITARY BOARD.

This afternoon at a meeting of the Sanitary Board, the City Conservancy Contractor was to have to answer charges brought against him of breach of contract. The matter was allowed to stand over for a fortnight.

A minute was submitted by the President of the Sanitary Board relative to certain changes proposed to section 8 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, 1907. With reference to the Government Gazette attached, clause 2 of the Bill now before Council, have members any comment to make? The bill comes up for the second reading on the 21st inst.

Dr. Fitzwilliams minuted:—While offering little criticism on the proposed change to clause 2, I do not hold that the objects and reasons are logical or in any way justified. All persons holding office under the Crown and Military Authorities have no voice in the election of their representative, and the navy are not even mentioned at all. With a resident naval population the size of that of Hongkong they should either have direct representation or be allowed a voice in the appointment of the members of the board.

KIDNAPPING.

Chan So and Ko Yan, two middle-aged women, were charged at the Criminal Sessions this morning with kidnapping a 14-year-old boy at Yau-mat on Nov. 8. Prisoners pleaded guilty and blamed each other.

The Attorney-General stated that there were three counts:—(1) Taking away by force; in law, a very small amount of force was sufficient to justify conviction, e.g., leading a child away by the hand; (2) taking away by fraud, as the prisoners told the child they were taking her to the theatre, whereas they took her somewhere else; (3) detaining the child. The mother of the child was a widow residing in a house of ill-fame in Temple Street, Yau-mat, where the first prisoner also resided. On November 8, the first prisoner came to the house, where the child and mother were. The mother went out to buy something and when she returned, the child had gone. The child would say that he was told that he was being taken to the theatre. He was taken on board a boat and eventually taken ashore. On the same day, the second prisoner pawned the child's clothing. Between Nov. 8 and 15, the child's queue was cut. On the 9th, the two prisoners borrowed a boat and slept there for a night or two, the child being with them. A few days later, the second prisoner hired a boat and paid for it and slept there for another day or two. The parties then went to Apichau. On information received, the mother of the child with some others went over to Apichau and asked the prisoners if they had taken away the child. The reply she received was in the negative. The child was apparently sealed up in a cork-loft, for, on hearing his mother's voice, he called out and was rescued. Both prisoners tried to prevent the mother from effecting the rescue.

Evidence was called and the jury returned a unanimous verdict of "guilty." Sentence of five and three years' hard labour, respectively, were passed.

ITALIAN CONVENT SCHOOL.

The Prize Giving.

The annual prize distribution and concert in connection with the Italian Convent School was held at the Convent in Caine Road yesterday evening, when H.E. the Governor was present to hand the prizes to the winners. A large marquee erected in the compound and choicely decorated was filled with an appreciative audience among whom were His Lordship Bishop Pozzani, Mr. J. R. Wood, Director of Education, and Father Lynch.

The proceedings opened with a musical programme rendered throughout by scholars in a manner which testified to the careful training they received. The programme was as follows:—Introduction, National Hymn, A. Puerta; Capriccio, galop-quadrille, Misses A. Carvalho, A. Baradas, A. Hayes, and A. Puerta; The Boes, kindergarten-gymnecompagniment by Miss B. Elias; The Mother of the Mucabees, recitation, Miss M. Melhuish; Marinara, drill and songs accompanied by Miss M. Ahwee; Horatius, recitation, Miss H. Hardwick; Marco Visconti, piano-forte duet, Misses C. Mattook and E. Figueiredo; The Old Man's Motto, recitation, Miss J. P. Braga; Banda Voce, accompaniment by Miss M. Ahwee.

His Excellency addressing the gathering said they had before them the report of the headmaster, Father de Maria, and he was rather sorry that they were deprived of the pleasure of hearing it read, because he read it through that morning and found it most interesting, and one which gave an idea of the very substantial progress in the school of the Italian Convent. He had also had the opportunity of reading the report of the Director of Education, which had not yet been published and he found in these two reports that the school had made what might be rightly called substantial progress. He drew attention to the fact that the staff of European ladies engaged in teaching had been increased by three, which now made the proportion of scholars to teachers as 25 to 1 which was a very satisfactory proportion. The buildings had also been enlarged during the year, and the Director of Education remarked that the conditions under which the children were being taught were much more satisfactory from a health point of view than they had hitherto been in the Colony.

For the first time during the past year pupils of the Convent had entered for the Oxford preliminary examination in order that they might compare with other schools, and he was glad to say that from one quarter to one third had passed the examination, to the number of ten. He hoped that next year they would have even more satisfactory results. The entrance for this examination had involved the inclusion of three new subjects in the curriculum of the school. On these points he thought he was justified in saying that the progress had been sound and substantial because it was much more satisfactory to have progress which involved the whole organization of the school, rather than have results and achievements by one or two individuals.

Presently, he would have the pleasure of presenting two small mementoes to the young ladies whose names were to be inscribed on the Lady Lugard Shield, and he offered them his hearty congratulations. Miss Hong and Miss Farias were the girls whose names were to be inscribed on the shield as the girls who had been during the past year the most reliable for integrity, and who had exercised the best influence for good in the school. He considered that the highest distinction possible for a girl to attain in the school.

He also tendered his congratulations to Miss Hayes, who had won the scholarship which the late Sir Hormusjee Mody, whose death had been such a loss to the Colony, had been good enough to found bearing his (the speaker's) name. He regretted that Lady Lugard was unable to be present for she took a deep interest in the institution. She was unfortunately confined to her bed and had been for the past month, but she asked him to give to

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all the pupils of the school, her most hearty congratulations on the success and prosperity of the past year, and her cordial wishes for the year to come.

His Excellency then expressed pleasure at the manner in which the entertainment had been carried out and concluded by wishing them a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

The Rev. Father Lynch in a brief, humorous speech thanked His Excellency for presiding.

The prize winners whose names were published in yesterday's issue then received their prizes at the hands of His Excellency and the proceedings closed with the National Anthem.

To-day's
AdvertisementsKOWLOON-CANTON
RAILWAY.

(British Section.)

NOTICE.

THE BRANCH LINE between Fanning and Shek Chung Au (Police Station) will be opened for traffic on THURSDAY, 21st inst. The line is divided into four sections and the fare will be five cents each section. The sections are as follows:—

Fanning to
Kung Ling..... 5 Cents.
Wo Hang..... 10
Shek Chung Au..... 15
Sha Tau Kok..... 20

The Section between Shek Chung Au and Sha Tau Kok will not be opened for traffic until the beginning of January, 1912.

Tickets will be issued on board the train.

Trains will be run on the Branch Line in connection with Main Line Trains stopping at Fanning.

For further information regarding freight, &c., apply to Traffic Superintendent, Kowloon, by Order.

H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager.
Kowloon, 19th Dec., 1911. [1519]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
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having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once, at consignees' risk and expense.

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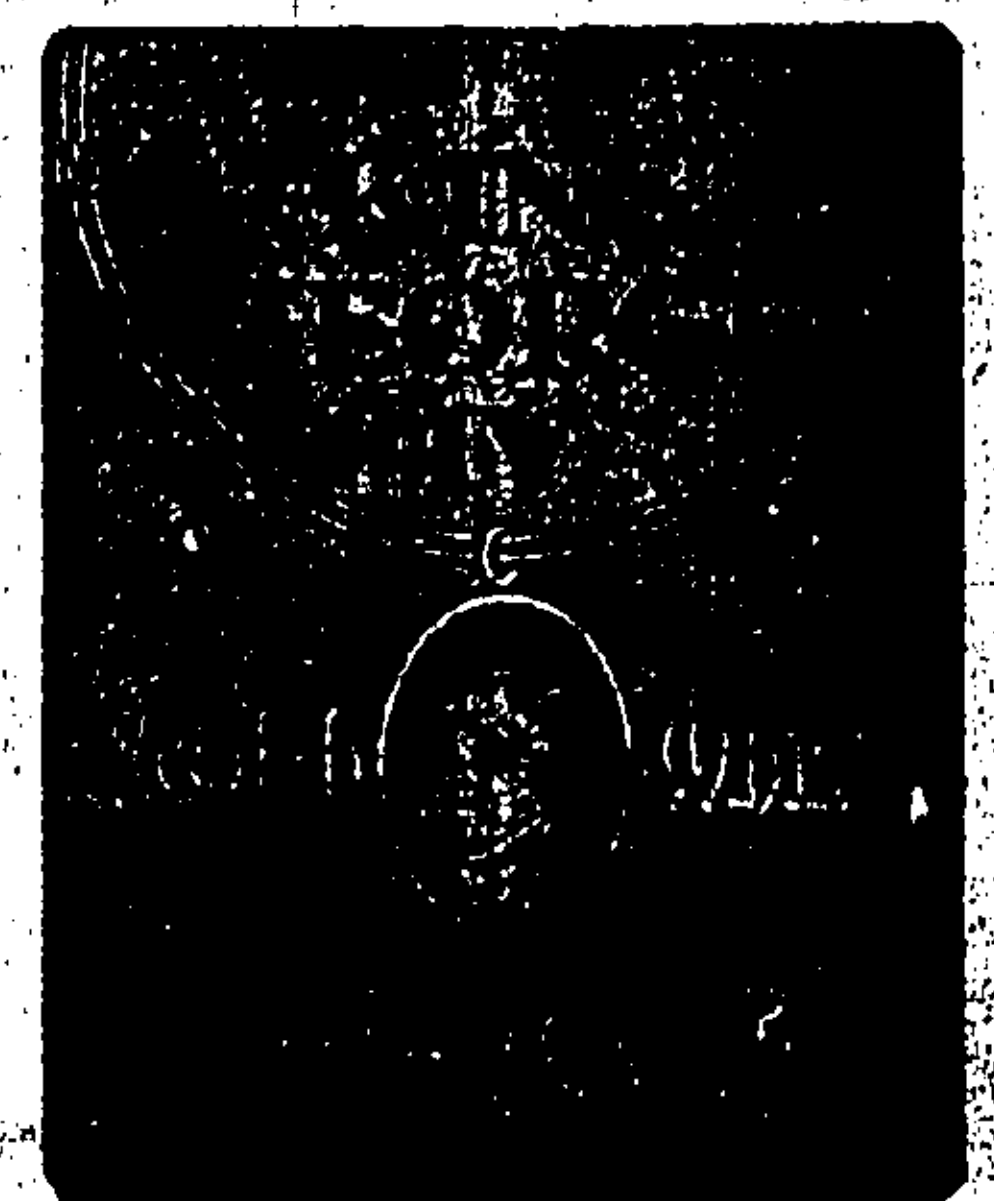
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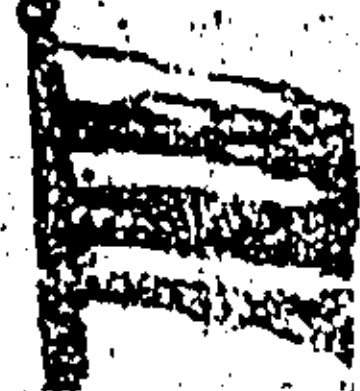
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VICTORIA, B.O. & SEATTLE.....	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. B. Kon, Tons 7,000	SATURDAY, 30th Dec., from KOBE

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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, Townsville and Brisbane.....	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000 KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6,000	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon. FRIDAY, 19th Jan., at Noon.
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KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 9,000 WAKASA MARU, Capt. M. Nielsen, Tons 7,000 KIRIN MARU, Capt. M. Deguchi, T. 4,000	THURSDAY, 21st Dec., at 11 a.m. WEDNESDAY, 20th Dec. WEDNESDAY, 20th Dec.
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YOKOHAMA & BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, & COLOMBO.....	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, T. 6,000 COLOMBO MARU, Capt. J. Tanaka, T. 5,000	WEDNESDAY, 20th Dec., at Noon. TUESDAY, 2nd Jan.
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MANILA, ZAMBOANGA & AUSTRALIAN PORTS.....	"TAIYUAN".....	22nd 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI.....	"HUICHOW".....	23rd M'night.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO.....	"TAMING".....	26th 4 p.m.
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Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Nippon Maru".....	11,000	A. G. Stevens	Dec. 22nd, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru".....	21,000	E. Bent	Dec. 29th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru".....	21,000	H. S. Smith	Jan. 19th, Noon.
S.S. "Chiyo Maru".....	21,000	W. W. Green	Feb. 16th, Noon.

These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screw. All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office.

The triple screw steamer TENYO MARU will be despatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on FRIDAY, the 29th December, at Noon.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to alteration.)

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
Kiyo Maru.....	17,500	Tuesday, Feb. 11, Noon.
Bayo Maru.....	10,500	Tuesday, April 3, Noon.
Hongkong Maru.....	11,000	Friday, June 7, Noon.

The "Kiyo Maru" will be despatched for Mexico, PERUVIAN and CHILEAN PORTS via MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, Feb. 11, at Noon.

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LOG BOOK.

Crewless Submarines.

Great success has attended a series of experiments made by the staff of the Vernon Torpedo School at Portsmouth in controlling submarines solely by Hertzian or wireless waves.

The Vernon torpedo experts have discovered a device which makes it possible to navigate a submarine from the deck of a warship, though the little vessel may have no one aboard. The experiments have shown that so complete is the influence exercised over the craft by means of the wireless waves that it can be driven either submerged or on the surface.

The experiments are a development of the operations on which the Admiralty have been for some time engaged in perfecting the wireless torpedo. This is now in an advanced stage, though much has still to be achieved before it is brought to a state of perfection.

The experiments with the submarine were conducted with one of the Holland boats off Selsey. The controlling apparatus was aboard the cruiser Furious, tender to the Vernon, and now used largely as an experimental wireless ship.

As a precautionary measure no one was allowed on board the submarine during the trials, though it is said that the step was quite unnecessary, and volunteers were ready to undertake the duty if required.

It is considered more than possible that in the very near future it will be possible for a torpedo to be directed by means of wireless to the hull of an enemy's vessel from a position in which its assailant can come to no harm.

The Admiralty authorities are naturally closely guarding the secret of this invention, which is destined to have a far-reaching effect in the future on naval war.

The Glenalloch.

The trip of the Hopsang up the coast with the disabled steamer Glenalloch in tow proved uneventful. The steamer left Hongkong on December 9 and it was thought that she would return with her charge on Thursday last, but progress under such conditions was necessarily slow and she did not reach port until Sunday afternoon. On arrival at Gaoqing Bay where the Glenalloch was lying snugly at anchor, the first work performed was the transhipment of the 800 passengers. Excellent accommodation had been made for their housing on the Hopsang and the work was carried out without a hitch. Arrangements for the long tow were then made under the supervision of Captain Hay of the Hopsang and Captain Townsend of the Glenalloch. These completed, the former vessel took charge and steamed for Hongkong, where she arrived safely as stated above. Notwithstanding the fact that so large a number of passengers were carried they reported all well when the port medical officer boarded the vessel on her arrival. The Glenalloch will be laid up in port while a spare propeller is being fitted.

AMERICAN OFFICIALS
IN PERSIA.

The "Cablenews-American" of Dec. 11, has the following:—

The first direct word from W. Morgan Shuster to reach Manila since the start of the Russo-Persian political embroglio, was received in a startling cablegram by Governor General Forbes a few minutes after noon to-day. The cablegram follows: "Tehran, Dec. 8, Forbes, Manila. Owing to the serious character of political news here, request, if it is possible, keep open as long as you can positions Fitzsimmons, et al. pending further particulars. I have no news concerning them. Shuster." This was immediately dispatched to the municipal board, but the morning session had adjourned, making immediate consideration impossible. From the tone of the message it is evident that Captain John Green, late of the local police force, Patrick J. Fitzsimmons, Turin Boone, late of the custom house, and W. J. O'Donovan, formerly of the bureau of public works, who are on their way to take positions under Shuster, will find themselves jobless on their arrival in Persia. Friends of the Manilaans said that the party is at present on the way from Moscow to Tehran, and that when the cablegram was sent, Shuster were within a week's travel of the Persian capital.

To Sail

Messrs. Samuel, Montagu & Co.'s weekly circular dated London, November 23, states that "in the absence of Continental demand, the Bank of England will obtain the balance of the bar gold which arrived—about £700,000—after provision for India (£108,000) and the trade. During the week the net influx was £483,000. It has been stated that the \$2,000,000 in gold, shipped from New York; is intended for China, but we are given to understand that the ultimate destination will be Japan."

Referring to silver the circular states that there was prospect of the Indian speculators relaxing their hold on the market, and states that on a similar occasion last year the tension was maintained for exactly one month, July 2 to August 2.

"As the number of outstanding bear contracts is lessening daily, and the amount of dealers willing to buy, at the present artificial prices, is extremely limited, the maintenance of so large a premium entails material support on the part of those who have engineered the corner, and their holding in silver and forward contracts combined has been increased materially.

"Whether this inflated speculative stock will be easier to dispose of than that held for nearly two years past, or whether the tactics adopted—of squeezing Banks and others who in the fair course of business have the misfortune to be short of silver against exchange—are likely to enhance the price of silver in the long run, is a matter of opinion."

"China has been taking advantage of the high prices now current to ship silver to Bombay.

"The Ontario silver output for the nine months amounts to over eleven and a half million dollars.

"The stock in Bombay is 200 bars less—no change has been reported since November 7 as to

"The up-country offtake in Bombay is very poor at 35 bars a

"The total of gold coin and bullion in the Indian Treasury

Reserve has risen from 10.3-4 to 12.1-4 crores."

Messrs. Mocatta and Goldsmid's weekly 'circular' dated London, November 24 states:—

The silver market during the past week has continued to be manipulated by Indian specula-

almost be said to be artificial inasmuch as, for the most part,

they have been so far above those either in India or China, the two silver using countries, as to pre-

The chief business has been

"Bear" covering, which orders, with the speculators controlling the large stocks of ready silver,

have been difficult to fill and the premium on "spot" which at the end of last week was 3-8d, widen-

The present conditions of the

market make it exceedingly difficult to form any opinion even as to the near future, and the tendency

is very uncertain, the whole situation depending on the capability of the Bull speculators to

finance their stocks on the one hand and the number of Bears uncovered on the other.

The steamer this week takes about \$260,000 in silver to Bombay.

STOCKS & PAID UP VALUES.		CLOSING PRICES.		LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE.	
BANKS.					
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$880	s.	Interim dividend of £2 per share at exchange 1/8 = \$22.33 for year ending 30th June 1911	
National Bank	25	\$10		In Liquidation	
MARINE INSURANCES					
Oceanic	\$50	\$186	b.	\$16 for 1910	
North China	25	\$146		Interim of 10/- for 1910	
Unknown	\$100	\$825		Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1909 and Interim of \$30 for 1910	
Yangtze	£50	\$210		\$12 for 1909 and Int. of \$3 on account of 1910	
FIRE INSURANCES					
China Fire	\$20	\$126 1/2	b. & 127	\$7 & b's of \$2 for 1909	
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$302	[an.]	\$7 for 1909	
SHIPPING					
China & Manila	\$25	\$16	1/2 a. & n.	\$1 for 1906	
Douglas Steamships	\$50	\$21		5 p.c. for year end'g 30-6-11	
Stranabona	\$15	\$26	b.	Dividend of \$14 for half year ending 30-6-11	
Ludo-China				{ 3% final making 6% for 1908 & 2% div. for 1906 on preferred shares	
(Preferred)	25	\$91	s.	{ 1/- per share Coupon No. 15 2/6 per share Coupon No. 16 for 1910.	
(Deferred)				{ Div. 7 p.c. for year end-Bon. 5 p.c. } ing 30.4.11	
"Shill" Transports	£1	\$116		\$10 for 1910	
"Star Ferry"	\$10	\$17	b.	\$3 for 1907	
REFINERIES					
China Sugars	\$100	\$110	s.	Interim of 1/- on account for year ending 28.2.11 (Coupon No.16)	
Lazon Sugars	\$100	\$314	b.	1s. 2d. per share on 150,000	
MINING				\$3 for year ending 31.12.10	
Chinese Engineering	£1	T14		\$1 interim dividend for year to 30th June 1911	
Typhoon	£1	53/8		Tls. 2% for 1910	
Rauha	£1	\$2.50	b.	Final of Tls. 4 for 1910	
DOCKS, WHARVES, & GODOWNS				Tls. 6 29-2-10	
Kowloon Wharfs	\$50	\$55		\$3 on old shares, \$1.50 on new shares for half year 31-12-10	
H. K. & W'poo Docks	\$50	\$48	s.	Interim div. of \$34 for 1911	
Shanghai Docks	T. 100	T.57		45 cents for 1910	
Hongkong Wharfs	T. 100	T.90		\$24 for 1910	
LANES, HOTELS & BUILDINGS				5% for half year to 30-6-11	
Anglo French Lands	T.100	T.94 b.		Interim div. of \$2 for 1911	
Hongkong Hotels	\$50	\$119		15 per cent. for 1910	
Hongkong Lands	\$100	\$75		T4 for year ended 31-10-10	
Humphreys Estates	\$10	\$100	b.	T7 for year ended 20-12-10	
Kowloon Lands	\$30	\$61	b.	80 cents 31-7-08	
Shanghai Lands	T. 30	\$30	a.	\$1 for 1910	
West Points	\$50	\$48		80 cents for 1910	
Manila Hotels	P.10	P.10	s.	\$1.25 for year end'g 31-7-11	
COTTON MILLS				Interim of 15 cents per share for 1910	
Ewon	T.50	T.30		\$1.20 per share and b's of 10 cents	
Hongkong Cottons	\$10	\$4.75		\$2 interim for half year ended 30th June 1911	
MISCELLANEOUS				\$1 interim account 1911	
China-Born	\$12	\$10		{ Special bonus T.2 15-1-11	
Light and Powers	\$10	\$1		Interim div. T.14 15-3-11	
Do. (Sp't. shares)	\$1	\$1.10		Interim div. T.14 15-6-11	
China Providents	\$10	\$21	s.	Interim div. T.14 15-9-11	
Dairy Farms	\$5	\$21	s.	None	
Green Islands	\$10	\$3.50	sn. & b.	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30-4-11	
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$21 1/2	b.	None	
Hongkong Iron	\$25	\$197 1/2	s.	\$1.50 for 1910	
Hongkong Ropes	\$10	\$18		First year	
Lungkat	g. 10	T.64	b.	No dividend this year	
Morning Post	\$25	\$25		50 cts. for year end'g 30 5 1	
Park Tramway	\$10	\$11.50	b.	15 per cent. per ordinary share for year ended 31-5-1911	
Do. (new)	\$1	\$1.20		5 per cent. for year ending 31-12-1910	
Philippine	\$10	\$5	b.	10 per cent. for year ending 31-7-10	
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$12 1/2		30 cents for 1910	
Societe des Prefers	\$50	\$50			
Pulp & Paper	\$50	\$50			
Papeteries					
Do. Tonkin	Benefit	\$400			
Shanghai-Samaritan	T. 20	T102			
Steam Laundry	\$5	\$5			
United Asbestos Ori-nal Agency, Ltd.	\$10	\$4			
United Asbestos Founders Shares	\$10	\$300			
Union, Waterboat	\$10	\$7.50	b.		
Weismann, Ltd.	\$10	\$15	b.		
Watson	\$10	\$5	s.		
Williams Powell		\$4 1/2	b.		

Corrected to 1 p.m. December 19, 1911, by WRIGHT AND SON

EXCHANGE.	
Selling.	
T.T.	1/10
Demand.	1/10 5/16
80 d/s.	1/10
60 d/s.	1/10 7/16
4 m/s.	1/11
T.T. Shanghai.	74
T.T. Singapore.	79
T.T. London.	80
T.T. India.	108
Demand India.	178
T.T. San Francisco and New York.	13
T.T. Java.	111
T.T. Manila.	189
T.T. France.	23
Buying.	
4 m/s. L/O.	1/10
4 m/s. D/P.	1/10 5/16
4 m/s. L/O.	1/10 7/16
30 d/s. Sydney & Melbourne.	1/11
30 d/s. San Francisco & New York.	13
4 m/s. Manila.	189 1/2
1 m/s. France.	23 1/2
4 m/s. do.	24 1/2
Bar Silver, ready.	25 5/16
forward.	25 3/16
Bank of England rate.	42
Foreign.	\$10.73

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E. A. HEWETT,
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 M. J. Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle and Portland—Per Rygie, 20th Dec., 9 a.m.
 Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Choshun mizu, 20th Dec., 9 a.m.
 Haiphong (taking Mail for Pakhoi)—Per Hanoi, 20th Dec., 9 a.m.
 Hanoi and Haiphong—Per Sung-kiang, 20th Dec., 9 a.m.
 Fort Bayard—Per American, 20th Dec., 9 a.m.
 Swatow—Per Haitan, 20th Dec., 10 a.m.
 Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Kumano Maru, 20th Dec., 11 a.m.
 Macao—Per Sui An, 20th Dec., 1.15 p.m.
 Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Zafra, 20th Dec., 9 p.m.
 Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hainan, 21st Dec., 10 a.m.
 Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Gregory Apear, 21st Dec., noon.
 Shanghai—Per Chishan, 21st Dec., 3 p.m.
 Weihaiwei and Chefoo—Per Wuhu, 21st Dec., 3 p.m.
 Sandakan—Per Munsang, 22nd Dec., 11 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The s.s. Socotra is expected to arrive at P. Ning on the 8th prox., at 5 a.m.

The A. & M. Line s.s. Kloti left Salang on the 18th inst., and is due here on the 28th inst.

The I. G. M. s.s. Root, which left here on the 18th inst., at noon, arrived at SingAPOre on the 17th inst., at 2 p.m.

The E. & A. s.s. Empire left Manila on the 18th inst., at noon, and is expected to arrive here on the 20th inst., at noon.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Ludwig, which left here on Friday, at 6 a.m., arrived at Shanghai on the 18th inst., at 11 a.m.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Penia from San Francisco, was dispatched from Yokohama on the 18th inst., and is due to arrive at Hongkong on 27th inst.

The s.s. Paris will be dispatched from Hongkong on the 5th prox., at 1 p.m., for San Francisco, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Sibota, sailed from San Francisco on the 19th inst., for Hongkong via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 11th prox.

ARRIVALS.

Taiokan Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,924, Soda, 17th Dec.—Moji 11th Dec. Coal—A. & Co.

Chicago Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,210, I. Goto, 18th Dec.—Tacoma 12th Nov. Flour and Gen.—O. S. K.

Mario, Ger. s.s., 1,169, Schinikier, 18th Dec.—Saigon 12th Dec. Gen.—J. & Co.

Trinidad, Ger. s.s., 769, W. Langschwager, 18th Dec.—Haiphong and Hoihow 16th Dec. Gen.—J. & Co.

Drafer, Nor. s.s., 1,102, J. Bing, 19th Dec.—Bangkok and Swatow 14th Dec. Gen.—Kin Tay Loong.

Tenyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 7,265, E. Dait, 19th Dec.—San Francisco 22nd Nov. Mails and Gen.—T. K. K.

Jidang, Br. s.s., 1,223, R. Lewis, 19th Dec.—London and Swatow 18th Dec. Gen.—B. & S.

Tung Wah, Chi. s.s., 746, Newbury, 19th Dec.—Canton 18th Dec. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Kutsang, Br. s.s., 1,895, R. O. D. Bradley, 19th Dec.—Moji 15th Dec. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Lightning, Br. s.s., 2,122, E. P. Smith, 19th Dec.—Singapore 12th Dec. Gen.—D. S. & Co.

Yueosang, Br. s.s., 1,128, P. H. Rolf, 19th Dec.—Manila 16th Dec. Hamp and Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Yungtze, Br. s.s., 4,149, B. Husband, 19th Dec.—Yokohama via Kobe and Shanghai 6th Dec. Gen.—B. & S.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Yuen-wang, 23rd Dec., 1 p.m.

Shanghai—Per Koushing, 23rd Dec., 5 p.m.

SHANGHAI, Siberian Mail to Europe—Per Hainan, 23rd Dec., 6 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haitan, 24th Dec., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiching, 24th Dec., 10 a.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Kifong, 26th Dec., 3 p.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Taming, 26th Dec., 8 p.m.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Kutsang, 27th Dec., 2 p.m.

Shanghai, Kobe and Moji—Per Fok-sang, 29th Dec., 11 a.m.

EUROPE & VIA TUTORIN—Late letters 11.00 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents. (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday, 22nd inst., at 5 p.m. Per Hainan, 23rd Dec., 11 a.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Loong-ang, 30th Dec., 1 p.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Hainan, 30th Dec., 8 p.m.

SHANGHAI, Siberian Mail to Europe—Per Hainan, 30th Dec., 8 p.m.

WUCHOW NEWS.

Soldiers and Pirates.

Wuchow, Dec. 10. For the past few days, things have been very quiet at Wuchow, although several incidents have happened on the river.

Banker's motor-boat, the Tien Hang, running from Nanning to Wuchow with about one hundred and fifty soldiers on board, was fired on by pirates on the 14th inst. The pilot was wounded, and the motor-boat went aground. The soldiers landed and pursued the pirates, killing a number and taking three of them prisoners. One soldier was killed. The soldiers arrived here to day on the Tien Kong, which was sent to fetch them from the Tien Hang. The latter vessel is still aground.

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